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In re Patent Application of Deepa Eveleigh, et al.,

Group Art Unit: 1642

Serial No.: 10/675,406 Filed: September 30, 2003

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For: Biomarkers for Prediction and Prognosis of cancer, and Monitoring Cancer Therapy

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